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AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER (Large Entity)				Docket No. 32277.0100	
Applicant(s): Peevey					
Serial No. 09/206,782	<div style="border: 1px solid black; border-radius: 50%; padding: 5px; display: inline-block;">O I P E SEP 24 2001 PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE</div>	Filing Date December 7, 1998	Examiner Sherr, C.	Group Art Unit 2161	
Invention: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR METERING ELECTRICITY USAGE AND ELECTRONICALLY PROVIDING INFORMATION ASSOCIATED THEREWITH					
<u>TO THE ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:</u>					
Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application. The fee has been calculated and is transmitted as shown below.					
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INDEP. CLAIMS	3 -	3 =	0 x	\$80.00	\$0.00
Multiple Dependent Claims (check if applicable) <input type="checkbox"/>					\$0.00
TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT					\$0.00
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RESPONSE PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

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In response to the Office Action mailed June 20, 2001, please enter the following amendment and consider the following remarks.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please cancel claim 16 without disclaimer or prejudice.

Please amend claims 1, 7, 10, 14, 17, 18, and 19 as follows:

1. (amended). A method for remotely metering [electricity] usage of a utility at a consumer site and providing metering and billing data, the method comprising the steps of:

receiving metering data from [an electric] a utility meter, wherein said

metering data is electronically transmitted from said [electric] utility meter;

~~calculating billing data using said metering data,~~